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<b>AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111</b>  Address to: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Attorney Docket Confirmation No.	CONN001 6620
	First Named Inventor	K.P. Conrad
	Application Number	09/780,752
	Filing Date	February 9, 2001
	Group Art Unit	1653
	Examiner Name	S.W. Liu
	Title	<i>Use of relaxin to treat diseases related to vasoconstriction</i>

Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated May 21, 2003, for which a three-month period for response was given, making this response due on or before August 21, 2003. *A Petition for a one-Month Extension of Time is submitted herewith, making this amendment due on or before September 21, 2003.* Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

In view of the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

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